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FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents And Trademarks P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated June 25, 2008, submitted here is a complete listing of all the claims present, in ascending numerical order, with each claim including the proper status identifier. Please substitute this First Preliminary Amendment for the one submitted May 11, 2006 – this one is intended to correct the May 11, 2006 submission. We note that no new matter is introduced here, nor are there any changes to the claim amendments from those presented in the May 11, 2006 Preliminary Amendment (except listing original claims 1-11 which are canceled). Please enter these amendments prior to fee calculations.

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Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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